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Twenty-ninth report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

1. The Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions has considered the report of the Secretary-General on the utilization of the provision for special political missions under section 3, Political affairs, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 (A/C.5/58/33).

2. The Advisory Committee notes that the provision of $163,178,100 (before recosting) sought for special political missions under section 3 of the proposed programme budget for 2004-2005 (see A/58/6 (Sect. 3) and A/58/6 (Corr.1)) is equivalent to $169,431,700, after recosting. As indicated in the report of the Secretary-General, after charging the recosted amount of $142,476,900 against the provision for special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council (see A/C.5/58/20 and A/58/7/Add.18), the remaining unallocated balance for special political missions amounts to $26,954,800.

3. The Advisory Committee recalls that any further requirements for special political missions beyond this balance arising during the biennium 2004-2005 would be dealt with in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 11 of annex I to General Assembly resolution 41/213 of 19 December 1986.

4. **The Advisory Committee recommends that the General Assembly take note of the report of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/58/33).**

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